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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/EP2004/013090	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 11/18/2004	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 11/27/2003
TITLE OF INVENTION Method and Device for Separating Flat Consignments		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Siemens Aktiengesellschaft		
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:		
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<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by 1/2.				\$	
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Re: Utility Patent Application
Atty. Dock.: 2003P17941WOUS Serial No.: to be assigned
Filed: to be assigned Inventor(s): Oliver Kutzer
For: *Method and device for separating flat consignments*
Sir:

In response to the NATIONAL STAGE FILING OF THE INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION PCT/EP2004/013090, the following documents are forwarded herewith for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office:

1. Transmittal of Utility Patent Application;
2. Fee Transmittal Form;
3. Translation of Specification and Claims;
4. Application Data Sheet;
5. Preliminary Amendment and Abstract (8 pages);
6. International Application PCT/EP2004/013090 as published;
7. Information Disclosure Statement; and
8. Return Post Card.

It is respectfully requested that the attached post card be stamped with the filing date of these documents and returned to us via post. A duplicate of this letter is enclosed.

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